
REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on November 17, 2005.

Claims 8-26 are canceled herein. Claims 1-7 remain pending.

§102 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 12-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) for anticipation by Chan et al. (US 4,513,367). Claims 12-26 have been cancelled, rendering this rejection moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-7 have been allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612) 373-6909 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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